Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish at Our Lady of Loreto Church



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MASS SCHEDULE

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:00, 10:00, and 11:30 a.m.

DAILY MASS

Monday through Thursday 7:00 a.m.

HOLY DAY MASSES

Vigil: 6:00 p.m.

Holyday: 7:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. or by appointment.

MINISTERIAL STAFF

Rev. Msgr. F. Stephen Pedone, Pastor fpedone@charter.net
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Julia Tufano - Secretary
Joan Venincasa, John DaSilva,
Sanghee Kim- Music
Virginia Lelakis, Safe Environment

Mary DiSilvestro, Sacristan

John Oliver, Hospitality Ministry

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

To schedule a baptism please call 508-753-5001.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples planning to be married should contact the pastor at least a year in advance. A program of preparation is required for all couples planning to marry in the church. To schedule a wedding please call 508-753-5001.

ILLNESS

Arrangements can be made to have Holy Communion brought to those who are homebound due to illness, age, or impairment of any kind or to celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing and Reconciliation with them. Please call 508-753-5001.

PARISH REGISTRATION

To become a registered member of the parish, please call 508-753-5001 or register on-line at www.mtcarmel.ws.

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Church
PRAYER FOR PARISH
SPIRITUAL RENEWAL



Lord God, You love us with an everlasting love, and You choose us to

share Your love with others. We ask that You rekindle in our hearts a new spirit of faith, of prayer and of reconciliation. Inspire us to search out and find ways of bringing one another closer to You. We pray for all who form our parish community, that we remain faithful to Your teaching, that we remain steadfast in our prayer, both personal and communal, that together with You and the Holy Spirit, our parish may be renewed and transformed. All this we ask in the name of Jesus and through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Please cut out and pray daily.

Christmas at Loreto

We wish to thank everyone who helped to make our Christmas Eve celebration a memorable family liturgical experience. Special thanks to the five children who participated in our pageant - Nicolina Garofoli (Mary), Anthony

Gallati (Joseph), Lorenzo Garofoli and Christopher Parkinson (Shepherds), and Kayliani Parkinson (Angel).
Also special thanks to the musicians - Joan Venincasa, Josef Konkol and his fantastic choir of adults and young people who sang before and during Mass. We thank our altar servers who assisted in the sanctuary with dignity and reverence. We thank those who decorated the sanctuary. And, of course, thanks to so many of you who filled our church. The Christmas season is all about the peace and joy of the newborn Jesus. Our Christmas Eve liturgy radiated that peace and joy.

Pray...Pray...Pray...

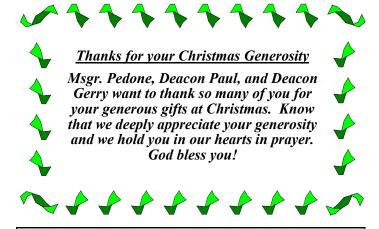
First Friday Adoration to be Discontinued
We regret to inform you that First Friday Adoration
and Benediction has been discontinued effective immediately. Due to the few number of parishioners who
signed up and the complications caused by frequent
Friday morning funerals, it has been difficult to make
sure that someone was always in the Adoration chapel. Perhaps at a future date we can reinstate this devotion.

Help Us Fulfill a New Year's Resolution

We have a dream for 2018! We know that there are several parishioners out there who are no longer able to get to Mass due to age or poor health. We hear about them from time to time and when we do, we do our best to serve their spiritual needs by bringing them Holy Communion. These are people who faithfully attended Mass every week when they were in good health. They are people who deserve to have Holy Communion brought to them wherever they are in their homes or in nursing facilities. Our 2018 resolution is to do a better job of serving them. You can help us meet this resolution in two ways:

- 1. Give us the names of people family members or friends who meet the description above. We will contact their families and find out if they would like to be visited.
- 2. Join our team of clergy and parishioners who make these Communion visits. If you aren't already an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, we will train you and have you delegated by Bishop MacManus. We guarantee you that you will find this ministry extremely rewarding. You will make new friends in Jesus the best kind of friends to have.

Contact Msgr. Pedone, Deacon Gerry or Deacon Paul to express your interest in this ministry.



The Baptism of the Lord, observed on Monday, January 9 this year, marks the end of the Christmas season and the beginning of Ordinary Time until Lent begins on Wednesday, February 14. Jesus joins the people going out to John the Baptist in the gesture of repentance, not because there is sin in him, but in order to model for us the only authentic way to approach the Father.

This Week in Our Parish

Tues., Jan. 9 - 10 am-2 pm - Golden Years Gathering
7 pm - Knights of Columbus

Sun., Jan. 14 - No Religious Education this week

CHOIR

The choir will resume rehearsals Monday Jan. 8, from 6-7pm. We are so excited with the positive comments we received after the Christmas Eve debut of the choir during the 4pm Mass. Moving forward, the plans are for the last Saturday of the month being a choir Mass and we will be rehearsing music for the upcoming Easter Feast. New members are welcome!! Come join the wonderful group of parishioners already participating in this ensemble. If you have any questions, feel free to contact director Josef Konkol at Konkoljosef@yahoo.com!



Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish at Our Lady of Loreto Church will again be offering Adult Faith Formation classes begin-7:00 pm...,
WHAT and WHY the Catnone
Church teaches, doctrine, morality, and/or current issues ning on Monday January 8th at

learning more or refreshing their knowledge about the Catholic faith; then please join us for these sessions where we will discuss these issues. All adults are welcome!

These educational sessions will prove to be instrumental in helping to make our lives more meaningful, relevant, joyful, and helpful among the many difficulties in our lives, as well as the lives of our families and friends.

Anyone interested please call Maria at 508-842-7604 or email sciannameo352@gmail.com

January is Respect Life Month Give - that a Child might Live

Consider making a donation to Visitation House, Inc., a non-profit organization that houses pregnant women in crisis in Worcester, MA. Visitation House is privately funded and solely dependant on the generosity of donors like you. Since opening in 2005, they have welcomed 340 women to their home. Your financial support will insure the future of Visitation House and the future of babies, who might not have been born. Donations may be sent to:

> Visitation House, Inc. 119 Endicott St., Worcester, MA 01610

Thank You and God Bless You, Eve Lindquist, Executive Director



Epiphany of the Lord

"They prostrated themselves and did him homage." The Magi were men of great faith. Their worldly position and power could have made them scoff at the sight of this humble infant. Their treasury of wealth could have blinded them to the true value of this child king. But instead these men placed themselves at the feet of Jesus in a gesture of complete submission. Then, as a sign of their devotion, they "opened their treasures" and offered this baby costly and precious gifts. Only a deep and sincere faith could justify such a surprising scene.

Real faith often runs contrary to worldly wisdom. Without the firm belief that Jesus was the Messiah, it would seem absurd to travel all those miles and part with all that gold, much less to bow down in the presence of a poor child. But the eyes of faith can see much more than the eyes of the world alone. The Magi understood that all the prestige and possessions of the earth are nothing in comparison to the kingdom of heaven. They wanted to use their worldly wealth to give glory to the King of Kings, rather than for their own glory.

Taking the Three Kings as models, we can examine our own lives. Are we willing to "travel" for our faith, leaving our comfort zone for the sake of the Gospel? Are we willing to share our "wealth" to glorify God? Are we willing to submit our desires and plans to the authority of Christ? As we begin the journey of this New Year, let us resolve to follow in the faithful footsteps of the Magi.

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Flu Season

Parishioners who are ill or suspect that they are ill with a contagious illness are not bound by the Sunday Mass obligation. The exchange of the Sign of Peace may be offered without any physical contact i.e. a simple bow.

Financial Stewardship For the week ending December 31, 2017 Income

<u>Income</u>	CORUN
Offertory—Online (December)	\$4,481.94
Offertory	3,655.00
Donations	1,600.00
Parking Revenue	1,545.00
Offertory—Mail	559.00
Room & Board	400.00
Christmas	352.00
Fuel	97.00
Mass Stipends	55.00
Religious Retirement	50.00
Candles	42.00
Maintenance	37.00
Immaculate Conception	17.00
TOTAL	\$12,890.94
<u>Expenses</u>	
Salaries and Wages	\$6,938.69
Organists (December)	1,775.00
Office Expenses	1,058.97
Rectory—Food & Household	847.43
Payroll Taxes (November)	845.78
Cantors (December)	705.00
Heating Oil (Parish Center)	606.81
Christmas Gifts	577.62
Offertory Envelopes (January & February)	559.94
Choir Director (December)	500.00
Choir Vocalists (December)	395.00
Rubbish Removal	331.30
Funeral Stipends	235.00
Security Many Stimum to (December)	222.87
Mass Stipends (December)	200.00
Postage	197.75 136.31
Supplies Midnight Mass Coverage	100.00
Telephone	83.26
Professional Fees	79.00
Employee Benefits	44.00
TOTAL	\$16,439.73

THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD SMALL FAITH COMMUNITY

The Light of the World Small Faith Community meets every other Tuesday evening at the Parish Center from 7:00PM-8:30PM.

Individuals that have made the retreat, or those that are thinking of making one in the future, are welcome to attend.

It is a guided evening of open discussions where we have the opportunity to develop a closer bond with Christ and each other.

If you would like more information please contact Rick Annunziata at <u>RSA06@charter.net</u> or phone: <u>508-826-7732</u>

<u>Financial Stewardship</u> For the week ending December 25, 2017

Income

Christmas	\$4,890.00
Offertory	3,975.00
Offertory—Mail	955.00
Donations	510.00
Fuel	261.00
Christmas Flowers	185.00
Religious Retirement	151.00
Parking Revenue	120.00
Expense Reimbursement	104.97
All Saints	102.00
Rental Income	100.00
Candles	65.00
Mass Stipends	60.00
Maintenance	50.00
Religious Education	5.00
Immaculate Conception	2.00
Assumption	2.00
TOTAL	\$11,537.97
<u>Expenses</u>	. ,
Security Deposit Refund	\$1,500.00
Computer Software	1,339.00
Christmas Flowers	888.00
Snow Removal & Sanding	575.00
Religious Education	342.99
Repairs & Maintenance	283.61
Annual City Inspections	270.00
Mass Coverage	200.00
Water & Sewer (Mount Carmel Campus)	122.00
TOTAL	\$5,520.60

Ministry Assignments for Jan. 13-14

Jan. 13 @ 4 pm

Lector - Vera Novick

Ministers - Chet & Marcia DiLeo

Jan. 14 @ 8 am

Lector - Chris Cook

Ministers - Louise Faiola

Jan. 14 @ 10 am

Lector - Dave Soares

Ministers - Heather Morello & Elizabeth Santley

Jan. 14 @ 11:30 am

Lector - Susan Cozzolino

Ministers - Al Cecchini & Maria Sciannameo

Please arrange for a substitute if you cannot fulfill your assignment. Thank you for the good work that you do!



Saturday, January 6, 2018 - 3:00 p.m.—Confessions

Saturday, January 6, 2018—4:00 p.m.
The Soul of Maria Lilette Ann Vasquez

<u>Sunday, January 7, 2018—8:00 a.m.</u> **Brendan Shanley** (21st Anniversary) by Family

Sunday, January 7, 2018—10:00 a.m.

Martha Lonardo, Carmine Piscirillo and Dominic
Pascucci by Carmine and Esther Lonardo
Marianna (5th Anniversary) and Carmen Dellomo
(22nd Anniversary) by Family

Sunday, January 7, 2018—11:30 a.m.

Elizabeth L. Conte by John Conte and Family
Ida Mastrototaro DeMauro by Children

Monday, January 8, 2018—7:00 a.m. Parishioners Intentions

Tuesday, January 9, 2018—7:00 a.m. The Sick of the Parish

Wednesday, January 10, 2018—7:00 a.m. Parishioners Intentions

Thursday, January 11, 2018—7:00 a.m. The People of the Parish

Saturday, January 13, 2018 - 3:00 p.m.—Confessions

Saturday, January 13, 2018—4:00 p.m.

Victoria DiLeo by Chester and Marcia DiLeo

Maureen Karalus (Second Anniversary) by Dick and
Sons

Sunday, January 14, 2018—8:00 a.m.
Thanksgiving for Maria Cecelia Banzuela

Sunday, January 14, 2018—10:00 a.m.

Sandra Brouillard (First Anniversary) by Elizabeth
Santley

Giacomo Foggia (30th Anniversary) by Family

Sunday, January 14, 2018—11:30 a.m.

Susan G. Porcaro (5th Anniverary), Father Frank
Listro (5th Anniversary) and Angelo K. Sokas
(First Anniversary) by Michael C. Martin

DAILY MASS ON TV AND THE INTERNET

Tune in on Monday through Friday on Charter TV3 on channel 193 at 9 am for the local Daily Mass on cable celebrated by various priests from around our diocese. Also airs at 4:30 pm in Shrewsbury on Ch. 28, and 5 pm in Clinton area on Ch. 8.



Please pray for the sick of our parish: Francis Caffone, Susan Stomski, Donna Grasseschi, Lori Blackwell, Carmella Szklarz, Matteo Fiore, Patrick Loconto, Eleanor Lupisella, Butch Rano, Mary O'Connor, Christopher Collazo, Paula Mari, Sim Simone, Cathy Coffey, Mildred Bassan, Vincent Pusateri, Sylvia Pusateri, Debbie Caffone, Joseph Lapomardo, Joseph Ginskus, Philip Powers, Marcia DiLeo, Virginia Czubrynski, Karen Remian, Chester DiLeo, Sandra Powers, Robert Mazzola, Jennifer Bodinizzo, Martin Laine, Antoinette Raddi, Loretta Sciafani, Robert Bacon, Susan Cardinal, Belinda Sahagun, Thelma Ortiz, Caryl Masiello, Cynthia Pedone, Roland Dionne, Maxwell Mitchell, Louis Naple, Carol Youngstrom, Vera Novick, Richard Patrone, Sue Cozzolino, Carol & Frank Iaconi, Anthony DeAngelis, Frank Corridori, Reverend Charles Armey and Anthony & Paul Locantore. May the Lord give them strength, courage and healing.

Rest in Peace

We, the parish community of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, extend our deepest sympathy to the families and friends of Charles "Pete" Gerardi, Grace C. Mero, and Yolanda Minchillo. May God grant them peace forever and bring comfort to their families and friends.

The Waters of Baptism

Olivia Carmen Brindisi,
daughter of
Demetrio Brindisi, Jr.
and
Eilleen Michelle Hebert
was initiated into our Christian family
through the Sacrament of Baptism on
Saturday, December 23, 2017.
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish congratulates her.

March for Life – early bird registration deadline approaching!

Please join us for the Diocese of Worcester's bus trip to the 45th annual March for Life in Washington, DC. Buses leave on Thurs. Jan. 18 after the 7:30 p.m. Mass at St. Paul's Cathedral, travel to Washington for the March for Life on Jan. 19, followed by the return trip to Worcester. Cost is \$75 per seat for registrations **postmarked by December 31**, and \$90 thereafter. For more information, and to download registration forms, visit www.worcesterdiocese.org/respect-life.

ITALIAN CLASSES

Italian Classes: This semester we are offering three levels of classes for adults. Italian for Beginners 1, this class is intended for people who have had no exposure to Italian. A Beginner 11 is intended for those who have completed Beginners 1 and are not ready of Intermediate. Intermediate Italian for those that have completed Beginners Italian I and II. Level 1 and Level 2 will be offered on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Level 3 will be held on Thursday. Cost: \$130.00. Classes run for ten weeks and will begin the week of January 16. For more information email Joan at joan dargenis@yahoo.com

How about making a Cursillo weekend?

Cursillo or "short course in Christianity" is an uplifting and educational experience, facilitated by a team of laypeople and clergy who deliver organized talks and discussions, that include the witness of their own lives, their struggles and triumphs in Christ. The weekend is full of laughter, prayer, great music, wonderful meals and so much more.

Upcoming: Men's - February 22-25, 2018

All weekends are held at the Immaculate Conception Spiritual Renewal Center in Putnam, CT. For more information, please contact Carolyn Galgano @ 508-847-7005 or angels-3cma@gmail.com, Joan Laracy @ 774-239-2474 or joanlaracy@yahoo.com, or Elizabeth Santley @ 508-304-8871 or esantley@yahoo.com. Applications are available in the vestibule if the church.

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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MT.CARMEL GOLDEN YEARS CLUB

All are welcome to come, visit and join!!

JANUARY 2018

JANUARY 2, 2018

Club moves to new site at Our Lady of Loreto

New Years Party with Trinity Band

JANUARY 9, 2018

10:00 am Socializing 10:30 am Board Meeting

12:00 pm Lunch followed by socializing

JANUARY 16, 2018

9am to 11am. VNA "Keep Well Clinic"

10:00 am Socializing

12:00pm Lunch followed by socializing

JANUARY 23, 2018

10:00 am Socializing 10:30 am Paper Sale

12:00 pm Lunch followed by socializing

JANUARY 30, 2018

10:00 am Socializing

12:00 PM Lunch followed by socializing

WINTER WEATHER REMINDER: IF SCHOOLS ARE DELAYED OR CANCELLED, THERE IS NO GOLDEN YEARS MEETING.

ALL DONATIONS FOR THE FOOD BANK WOULD BE GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED AND APPRECIATED

As a reminder Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish at Our Lady of Loreto Church follow the guidelines of the national Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People approved by the US Bishops and the policies of the Diocese of Worcester in screening those who work with children in our care and in helping victims of abuse find healing.

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a Church employee or volunteer in the past, please contact The Office for Healing and Prevention at 508-929 -4363 (direct line & confidential voicemail). You may also contact Monsignor Pedone, Deacon Audette or Deacon Montiverdi at 508-753-5001. If you are concerned about a current case of abuse, please contact the local civil authorities immediately.

All church staff and volunteers must complete a CORI form and complete a Safe Environment Training session. For more information please contact our Safe Environment Coordinator Ginny Lelakis at 508-753-5001.

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